

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN SCOTT MENDENHALL**, on January 24, 2005
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Scott Mendenhall, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bernie Olson, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. John Balyeat (R)
Rep. Bob Bergren (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Larry Jent (D)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kyanne Kelly, Committee Secretary
Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 273, 1/12/2005; HB 269,
1/12/2005

Executive Action:

HEARING ON HB 273

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. CAROL LAMBERT (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on **HB 273**,
Exempt rural transportation providers from Public Service
Commission authority.
00:01:11

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:27 June Hermanson, Montanan's with Disabilities
EXHIBIT(trh18a01)
00:07:46 Joanne Perkins, Summit Independent Living Center
00:15:57 Don Jones, Montana Advocacy Program

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:17:52 David Kack, Western Transportation Institute

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:29

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:16

HEARING ON HB 269

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. PAUL CLARK (D), HD 13, opened the hearing on **HB 269**, Clarify
recreational access to public waters upon road abandonment.
00:28:41

Proponents' Testimony:

00:33:19 Mike Volesky, Governor's Office
00:34:31 Jeff Haginer, Fish, Wildlife and Parks
EXHIBIT(trh18a02)
00:35:33 W. Robert Korzik, Montanan's Stream Access
00:36:30 Bill Holdorf, Skyline Sportsman's Association
EXHIBIT(trh18a03)
00:38:54 Tony Shoonen, Montanan's Stream Access
EXHIBIT(trh18a04)
00:40:44 Stan Frasier, Hunter's and Angler's Association
00:41:26 Leslie Zuck, Magic City Fly Fishers
00:43:07 Chris Fleck, Magic City Fly Fishers & Stillwater
County
EXHIBIT(trh18a05)

00:47:07 John Wilson, Montana Trout Unlimited
00:49:08 Robert Throssell, Montana Wildlife Association
00:50:05 Garrett Munson, Fishing Outfitters Association of
Montana

EXHIBIT (trh18a06)

00:51:02 Larry Copenhaver, Self
00:52:20 Larry Thomas, Anaconda Sportsmen

Opponents' Testimony:

00:52:43 John Bloomquist, Montana Stockgrowers Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:59:14

Closing by Sponsor:

01:16:50

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:20 P.M.

REP. SCOTT MENDENHALL, Chairman

KYANNE KELLY, Secretary

SM/KK

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([trh18aad0.PDF](#))